IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CIVIL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL WRIT PETITION NO. 2532 OF 2006
WITH
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Ganesh D. Mankar ..Petitioner
V.
Regional Transport Office,
Nashik and another ..Respondents.

Mr. Ajay S. Patil, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mrs. V.R. Bhosale, A.P.P. for the respondents in W.P NO. 2532/2006.

Ms. Shilpa V. Gajare, A.P.P. for the respondents in W.P.2533/2006.

CORAM : J.H. BHATIA, J.
DATE : 15TH JANUARY, 2007.

P.C.

. Heard Mr. Ajay Patil, learned Counsel for the petitioner and Mrs. Bhosale and Ms. Shilpa Gajare, learned A.P.P. for the respondents.

2. The petitioner has filed these petitions for release of his Maruti Vans bearing Registration No. MH-18-A 722 and MH-15-AS 727. Both the vehicles were seized by the RTO authorities on two grounds. Firstly, that the petitioner had not paid necessary taxes and

secondly, without any permission of RTO, he had converted the vehicles from Petrol to L.P.G. Gas Cylinder. The application made by the applicant before the Magistrate came to be rejected on the ground that the applicant had authority to move an application before the RTO. Mr. Patil makes a statement that the petitioner has already paid all the necessary taxes and on instructions from the concerned officer, who is present before the Court, Mrs. Bhosale makes a statement that the respondent No.1 shall release the vehicles on production of R.C. Book and on making application for conversion. In view of this statement, both the petitions may be disposed off.

3. The respondent No.1 shall release the vehicles on production of R.C. Book and on making the application for conversion from petrol to gas, as per rules. If the application is moved and documents are produced by the petitioner before respondent No.1 within one week, respondent No.1 shall complete all the necessary formalities and release the vehicles within next one week thereafter.

4. Both the petitions stand disposed of in terms of

aforesaid directions.

(J.H. BHATIA, J.)